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Subject: RE: Cargill question from San Mateo Daily Journal

Final desk statement sent to San Mateo Daily Journal.

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From: Skadowski, Suzanne
Sent: Tuesday, February 17, 2015 4:52 PM
To: 'Bill Silverfarb'
Subject: RE: Cargill question

Hi Bill,

Thanks for your call and email follow up. Below is EPA's response to your inquiry. Please attribute this statement to "the U.S. EPA" not to me directly. Thank you.

Protecting the San Francisco Bay shoreline, one of 28 "estuaries of national significance" in the Clean Water Act, is a high priority for the EPA. Approximately 90% of the Bay's historic tidal wetlands were lost over the 20th century, but there are significant public and private efforts ongoing to preserve and restore the baylands. The EPA, with our state and federal partners, implements federal Clean Water Act permit programs that minimize adverse impacts from pollution (including dredge and fill) to tidal areas, streams and wetlands. Cargill Corporation has asked the government whether their "Saltworks" property, an approximately 1,700-acre diked former salt-making facility on the Redwood City shoreline, is covered by these Clean Water Act programs. The EPA is presently coordinating with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on this important question, carefully considering both the complex history of the site's uses, and the need to protect the recreational, economic, wildlife habitat, and public health and safety values of San Francisco Bay.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Bill Silverfarb [<mailto:Bill@smdailyjournal.com>]
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To: Skadowski, Suzanne
Subject: Cargill question

Hey there. So, in 2012 it appears DMB Pacific Ventures and Cargill filed a request with both the EPA and Army Corps of Engineers over who has jurisdiction over the Saltworks site. Has EPA responded to the request yet?
Thanks

Bill

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